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[English]

(d) if so, the details thereof, and

(e) the funds allocated for this purpose during the current year?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) and (b) In August, 1991, the Chief Minister, Rajasthan had requested for linking Ajmer with services from Delhi and Bombay

(c) to (e) In an earlier survey site near village Kayyar was recommended. However, construction of an airport at Ajmer is not possible due to financial, operational and commercial considerations

Tourist Resorts in Rajasthan

5318 PROF RASA SINGH RAWAT Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state

(a) the names of the tourist resorts in Rajasthan which have been marked on the tourism map of the country and

(b) the total amount spent for their development during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) Important places in Rajasthan such as Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur, Ajmer, Jaisalmer, Chittaurgarh, Kota, Bundi, Jhalawar, Sawai Madhopur etc. already feature on the tourist map of the country

(b) The total amount of central financial assistance sanctioned for the development of tourism to Rajasthan during the last three years (1988-89 to 1990-91) was Rs 263.47 lakhs

Losses in Indian Iron and Steel Company

5319 SHRIBHAGEY GOBARDHAN
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state

(a) whether the Indian Iron and Steel Company is running in losses,

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the total loss till the end of 1990-91, and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken to make up the losses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV) (a) and (b) As on 31.3.91, the accumulated losses of Indian Iron and Steel Company stood at over Rs 735 crores. The reasons for the losses lie in technological obsolescence, ageing of plant and equipment, surplus manpower, etc. of the company's Burnpur Steel Works, unsatisfactory levels of production and high overheads at collieries and sickness and diminishing market for products of Kulti Works

(c) In 1991-92, the Burnpur Steel Works, the major unit of the company, brought about improvements in techno-economic parameters of operation, laid emphasis on higher production of value-added products, achieved higher levels of production, achieved increased sales realisation, etc. As a result, the Burnpur Works is expected to make a net profit of over Rs 4 crores and the company is expected to significantly improve its profitability by incurring a net loss of only Rs 20 crores in 1991-92 against an actual loss of over Rs 133 crores incurred in

1990-91 Steps to be taken for making up the losses of the company are

(a) Modernisation of Burnpur Steel Works,

(b) Increasing production of coal from collieries,

(c) Reducing overheads in collieries and mines, and

(d) Improving production level and product mix with improved techno economic performance

Buildings for Post Offices and Telephone Exchanges in Orissa

5320 SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) the number of post offices, sub post offices and telephone exchanges in Orissa having no departmental buildings as on January 31, 1991,

(b) whether the Government propose to construct buildings for these offices

(c) if so the details thereof and

(d) the details of funds allocated for the purpose?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) (a) *Department of Posts* As on 31.1.91 four (4) Head Post

Offices and one thousand fifty five (1055) Departmental Sub Post Offices were not having departmental buildings

Department of Telecom Number of telephone exchanges in Orissa having no departmental buildings as on January 1991 425

(b) *Department of Posts* Yes, Sir The Department will consider such cases in a phased manner, subject to satisfaction of the norms laid down in this regard and availability of resources

Department of Telecom Yes, Sir There are proposals to construct departmental buildings in a phased manner, subject to satisfaction of norms and availability of resources

(c) *Department of Posts* Two (2) Head Post Offices and fourteen (14) Departmental Sub Post Office buildings are under various stages of construction. In addition two (2) Head Post Offices and seven (7) sub Post Office buildings are being planned as per statement A

Department of Telecom In the first phase 52 cases have been identified for construction of departmental buildings as per statement B

(d) *Department of Posts* Allocation of funds as per statement A

Department of Telecom Allocation of funds as per statement B

STATEMENT-A

Buildings under construction

*funds allocated for 1991-92
(Rs. in thousands)*

Head Post Offices

1 Chandni Chowk

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